Master Gardeners of Bergen County Board of Directors Minutes for June 25, 2019

Meeting was called to order by President Gretchen at 5:20 pm.

Present at the meeting: Carolyn Gretchen, Dennis Gretchen, Melody Corcoran, Miriam Taub, Terri Pegg, Arnie Friedman, Bruce Walenczyk, Joseph Cooper, Patrick Lull, Donna Karpel

Presidents Report:

Due to the overwhelming response to the June BBQ at Rohsler's Allendale Nursery, we needed to reimburse the nursery for the extra food that was required. Originally, we budgeted \$240 but we went over by \$170.13.

*Motion: Suzanne Danzig motioned to approve the additional cost as read. Donna Karpel seconded. The motion was unanimously carried with those in attendance, plus email in 'yes' votes from Suzanne Danzig, Hank Annunziata, Donna Faustini and Janet Schulz.

Thank you to Suzanne and Donna Karpel for the outstanding job as co-coordinators!

Website:

Joseph presented a hands-on demonstration of the new website features and the areas yet to be finished. There are certain administrative levels that 6 administrative individuals will have access to at different levels. This program works on laptops, desktops, tablets, and phone. Passwords will need to be changed by members as they are all entered as #1 in the new system. Matt is in process of fixing all items that were in the original request.

*Motion: Joseph Cooper motioned to approve payment of an additional \$250.00 to Matt to finish the job. Dennis Gretchen seconded the motion.

However, there was discussion that a motion to approve \$500.00 was made at the May meeting. Therefore, Joseph withdrew the original motion. We are working from the May \$500.00 and no additional funds will be allocated.

Discussion ensued as to whether everyone could enter their hours now.

*Motion: Donna Karpel motioned that members wait until at least September 1st to use the online reporting system. Patrick Lull seconded and motion was approved with 9 yes, 1 no and 0 abstentions. Training for all membership is anticipated at the October meeting.

New Business:

Carolyn noted that orders for All Colors LLC Rutgers Master Gardeners clothing is open until July 17th. The information regarding RMGNJ Fall Conference registration is not yet available. The theme is "How did climate change your garden?", and workshops will all be presented by Rutgers' associates. Joseph would like to phase out being the website administrator. An add for the position will again appear in the Potting Shed.

A nominating committee will need to be determined at the September meeting, according to the by-laws.

Meeting adjourned at 6:28pm.